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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Art Unit: 3612	Title: FRAME STRUCTURE FOR VEHICLE TAILGATE	

To the Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith is an *Amendment* in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED								
	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	No. of Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Rate		
Total Claims	22	Minus	21	1	X \$50	\$50.00		
Indep. Claims	3	Minus	3	0	X \$200	\$0.00		
			TOTAL	=	\$50.00			
<input type="checkbox"/>	No additional fee is required.							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A check in the amount of \$50.00 is attached.							
<input type="checkbox"/>	Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.							
<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and request a month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$ _____ .00 to cover the applicable extension of time fees.							
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed February 22, 2005, on the above-referenced patent application, Applicant(s) respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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